

RCICT CLUSTER CONFERENCE

"Confident, Connected, Creative and actively involved 21st Century Learners"

June 3rd, Friday 2011

8:30 am – 3.45pm

Venue: Glenholme School

(Morning Tea and Lunch included)

CONNECT 5

REGISTRATION SHEET

Name: _____

School: _____

- * There are 2 break-out sessions. Number limits mean sessions will be filled on a "first in" basis.
- * Please list your choices below, ranking them in order of preference for each break-out.
- * We will endeavour to accommodate preferences as best we can.

BREAKOUT SESSION 1

1st Choice, Number:

2nd Choice, Number:

3rd Choice, Number:

BREAKOUT SESSION 2

1st Choice, Number:

2nd Choice, Number:

3rd Choice, Number:

Registrations need to be in as soon as possible to Lead Teachers

Close off date: Friday (Week 4) 27th May

Breakout 1

1. Enhancing Teacher Productivity Using Excel (Excel for Beginners) – Wendy Stafford

Target Audience: Classroom Teachers, Leaders, and Management

Getting Around in Excel, Keyboard Shortcuts, Managing Workbooks, Entering Data (Text, Numbers, Dates, AutoFill), Editing Cells (selection techniques, clear data, move data, copy data, multiple undo/redo, insert rows/columns), Working with Formulae (basics BEDMAS). Lots of examples of use, for teachers. Questions and Answers time provided.

Requirements: *Please bring your Laptop – Check that you have Excel installed!*

Paula's Comment: *Wendy is Lead ICT teacher at Malfroy School she is passionate about using ICT to enhance everyday teaching and learning.*

2. Our Journey with Interactive Whiteboards and Literacy – Rochelle Wolland

Target Audience: All Levels

We would like to share our journey in using and engaging students in literacy learning and supplementary activities, through the use of Interactive Whiteboards. We will be sharing how we use IWB technology in our everyday programme. Also we'll blow our own trumpets about the successes we have had in engaging struggling learners and boys. This is very much a practical sharing session and we hope you will leave with new ideas for your own classroom practice.

Requirements: *Please bring your laptop.*

Paula's Comment: *Rochelle is not only a classroom teacher (Westbrook) but she is an active life long learner. She is a fantastic communicator and readily shares her knowledge and love of learning.*

3. Freeware – Get your kicks for free!– Lyn Martin

Target Audience: All Levels

Each person that attends will be:

- *Given a CD containing these freeware programmes and others*
- *Shown how to install them if needed*
- *Taken through a short tutorial on the basic features (handouts with key points will be provided.*
- *Given an opportunity for some sandpit time to become familiar with the programme.*
- *Shown different ways of integrating these programmes into classroom programmes eg; Sketchup can create fantastic 3D shapes for a Geometry unit.*
- *Shown examples of the different ways children have used these programmes*

Get an opportunity to share ideas with each other of how they would use them to enhance learning outcomes in their classrooms

Requirements: *Please bring your Laptop*

Paula's Comment: *Lyn is ICT Lead teacher at Westbrook; she is an "ICT Guru" with an extensive knowledge of 'how things work'.*

4. Weave the magic of Storytelling (Explore, Discover, Create!) – Gail Cochrane and Lorraine Watchorn

Target Audience: All Levels

Using simple media sharing tools (web 2.0), this hands-on workshop will delve into creative ways, which engage learners and grow their love of story writing across the curriculum. We will consider a range of tools and genre, including poetry, comics, fiction and non-fiction, to assist students as they develop, collaborate, publish and enjoy the art of story writing. We will look at ways to entice your students as innovators and knowledge creators. Manageability options will be considered which not only bring the world into our learning environments but also allow learning to continue beyond the classroom.

Requirements: *Laptops not required as will be in Suite*

***Paula's comment:** Gail (National Library) and Lorraine (Facilitator) are both very experienced presenters and have a passion for infusing technology seamlessly into the school wide environment. This session has been presented at past National Conferences with rave reviews!*

5. Science Learning Hub - Real NZ Science Inspiring NZ Students - Barbara Ryan and Angela Schipper

Target Audience: All levels

The Science Learning Hub offers free, web-based resources based on current scientific research in New Zealand. Join our session to learn more about the Hub and how to use it to promote student interest and engagement in science for Years 5 - 10. Watch videos of scientists at work, use the animations on your interactive whiteboard or explore some of the innovative teaching and learning activities.

The Science Learning Hub is a national project informed by the latest education research and managed by the University of Waikato. The Hub is funded by the Ministry of Science and Innovation.

Requirements: Please bring your laptop

***Paula's comments:** This session was previously run at the "Learning at Schools" Conference and received such accolades that we just had to have it! The website is outstanding and will provide much needed support with Science (supported by ICT) throughout our schools.*

6. Exploring the new TKI and accessing Maori Resources – TeMako Orzecki

Target Audience: All Levels

*Explore the news **TKI**, personalise your homepage, create and share kete, advanced search, changes to local site searching, events calendar and news. Accessing Maori medium resources in Maori and English medium schools, with a closer look at He Reo Tupu He Reo Ora resources.*

Requirements: Please bring your laptop

***Paula's comments:** I attended this session at "Learning at Schools" and walked away inspired and astounded at how much I didn't know about the TKI website! I have been long awaiting the announcement of the release of the new He Reo Tupu He Reo Ora website so are excited to see what our teachers think of it and to see how it will be used across our schools.*

Breakout 2

1. “Units @ the Click of a Mouse” – Wendy Stafford

Target Audience: Classroom Teachers

Want fully planned cross-curricula units that are easy to understand and run with?

Come along to Units @ the click of the mouse and walk away with 'ready to go' resources and the 'know how' of accessing units quick and easy with the click of a mouse.

Requirements: *Please bring your Laptop*

Paula's comments: *Wendy is Lead ICT teacher at Malfroy School she is passionate about using ICT to enhance everyday teaching and learning.*

2 . SOLO – “Where to begin?”– Jules McLaughlin and Jackie Barrett

Target Audience: All Levels

You have attended the courses and SOLO sounds great but where to begin? What do we do with those HOTmaps and rubrics? This workshop is intended to provide you with more practical examples of where to begin with SOLO, how to make the language of SOLO a part of your classroom and how to integrate SOLO in to your classroom program, culture and organisation. Yes, we have some resources to share with you. Please bring an open mind, positive attitude and a willingness to share some of your own ideas and experiences.

Requirements: *Please bring your laptop (we have some resources on a USB key that can be transferred to your laptop) we will have some paper copies.*

Paula's comments: *Jules and Jackie are both from Westbrook, they will arm you with inspiration and practical ideas that you can take back to your classroom and try out tomorrow. Real time tools, just in time learning!*

3. Click it AGAIN – Molly Norton and Shari Brell

Target Audience: All levels

So I've taken photo's, now what? Is your blog looking bland? Do you want some ideas and creative ways to present your photos and students' school work? Well then this is the workshop for you. Come along to this hands-on workshop and learn how to display your photos in a clever way with all the bells and whistles. These easy to use programmes will definitely add some bling to your blog and make you look like an e-Learning expert!

Photopeach – *Slideshow display with spiralling effects, music and captions*

Photofunia – *Clever effects, superimposing your portrait photos into various situations*

Picturetrail – *Slideshow displays, including 3D cube displays*

Slide – *Slideshow displays with several choices of bells and whistles to choose from*

Check out this blog to find examples of all the slideshow presentations we will be showing you during the workshop. www.c2rocks2011.blogspot.com

Requirements: *Please bring your laptop*

Paula's comments: *Molly (ICT Lead Teacher) and Shari are both from Glenholme School. These ladies take on new learning with gusto and will try new things without hesitation; their enthusiasm alone is infectious.*

4. National Library Data Bases and Epic – Vicki Stephens

Target Audience: All Levels

Authentic activities provide students with the opportunity to interact with a wide variety of information sources representing a range of information / opinions. This practical hands-on session will explore a wealth of quality NZ digital content – photographs, cartoons, posters, video/sound clips, paintings, drawings, artworks, maps, and articles etc – to engage students' critical thinking skills in making judgements / choices as part of the learning process, which underscores the spirit of inquiry. Plus, we'll delve into the EPIC suite of databases, hosted on TKI, which contains thousands of international resources, including full-text articles, biographies and reference works.

Requirements: Please bring your laptop

Paula's comments: *Vicki works as a School Library Adviser for Services to Schools in the Walkathon Bay of Plenty area. Vicki was previously a Web/Reference Librarian in the tertiary sector where her responsibilities involved information management, web development and e-learning.*

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